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**BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION
OF THE SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA**

DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION OF THE
SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA
BY *[Signature]*

IN THE MATTER OF A MEMBER
OF THE STATE BAR OF ARIZONA,

LAURENCE B. STEVENS,
Bar No. 006460

RESPONDENT.

Nos. 04-1268, 05-0434

**DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION
REPORT**

This matter came before the Disciplinary Commission of the Supreme Court of Arizona on September 9, 2006, pursuant to Rule 58, Ariz. R. Sup. Ct., for consideration of the Hearing Officer's Report filed June 1, 2006, recommending acceptance of the Amended Tender of Admissions and the Agreement for Discipline by Consent (Tender) and the Joint Memorandum (Joint Memorandum) in Support of Agreement for Discipline by Consent providing for censure, two years of probation with the State Bar's Law Office Management Assistance Program (LOMAP) including a practice monitor, and the State Bar's Member Assistance Program (MAP), restitution and costs.

Decision

The eight members¹ of the Disciplinary Commission unanimously recommend accepting and adopting the Hearing Officer's Report recommending censure, two years of probation with the State Bar's Law Office Management Assistance Program (LOMAP) including a practice monitor, and the State Bar's Member Assistance Program (MAP), restitution,² and costs of these disciplinary proceedings.³ The terms of probation are as

¹ One public member seat remains vacant.

² Restitution in the amount of \$608.00 paid to Elizabeth Knowles.

³ A copy of the Hearing Officer's Report and the Amended Tender are attached as Exhibit A.

follows:

Terms of Probation

1. Within 30 days from the date of the final Judgment and Order, Respondent shall contact the Director of LOMAP and MAP and submit to an assessment. Respondent thereafter, shall enter into LOMAP and MAP contracts with terms and conditions as determined appropriate by the director or designee.

2. Respondent shall obtain an approved practice monitor.

3. In the event that Respondent fails to comply with any of the foregoing conditions, and the State Bar receives information, bar counsel shall file with the Hearing Officer a Notice of Non-Compliance, pursuant to Rule 60(a)(5), Ariz. R. Sup. Ct. The Hearing Officer shall conduct a hearing within thirty days after receipt of said notice, to determine whether the terms of probation have been violated and if an additional sanction should be imposed. In the event there is an allegation that any of these terms have been violated, the burden of proof shall be on the State Bar of Arizona to prove non-compliance by clear and convincing evidence.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 19th day of October, 2006.

Barbara A. Atwood

Barbara A. Atwood, Chair
Disciplinary Commission

Original filed with the Disciplinary Clerk
this 19th day of October, 2006.

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